

REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendments above, claims 1-10 will be pending in this application. Applicants have amended the specification in response to the Examiner's suggestion at the top of page 2 of the Action. Applicants have amended the claims to improve their language; new claims 9 and 10 have been added to round out the coverage to which applicants are entitled.

Claims 1-10 stand provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-8 of Serial No. 09/383,731 in view of Balloni '125. Applicants submit a terminal disclaimer to overcome this rejection in view of the likely allowance of Serial No. 09/383,731.

Claims 1-10 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) on Balloni '612 in view of Balloni '125 and Kondo. The claims have been amended to specify the film of the invention as being a two-layer laminate. None of the prior art of record, for the reasons already presented in the Amendment filed November 1, 2001, discloses or suggests two-layer laminates. In view of applicants' arguments in prosecution so far, it is apparent that these amendments do not narrow the intended scope of the claims.

Based on these amendments, which are offered to expedite prosecution, claims 1-10 are in condition for allowance. Early action to that effect is solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by this amendment, captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".


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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-10, as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A two-layer laminate film, comprising:
 - a) a first resin layer comprising a polyolefin resin and having a surface treated by a discharge treatment method that imparts excellent printability to the treated surface; and
 - b) a mixed resin layer comprising a polyolefin resin formed on and adhered to a surface of said first resin layer opposite the treated surface having said surface treatment,wherein the first resin layer and the mixed resin layer each contain up to 800 ppm fatty amides comprising stearamide or erucamide and the mixed resin layer contains a first additive material comprising at least one crosslinked silicone polymer in an amount of about 0.1% - 0.5% by weight of the mixed resin layer and/or at least one silicone oil in an amount of about 0.02% - 0.2% by weight of the mixed resin layer, and a second additive material comprising at least one amorphous aluminosilicate in an amount of about 0.10 - 0.50% by weight of the mixed resin layer.
2. (Twice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1, wherein said first resin layer has a thickness of about 6 - 40 μm .
3. (Twice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said first resin layer consists essentially of a polypropylene resin.
4. (Twice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said mixed resin layer has a thickness of about 0.2 - 5.0 μm .

5. (Twice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said mixed resin layer consists essentially of a polypropylene resin.

6. (Twice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1, wherein at least one component of said first additive material is a crosslinked silicone resin having a spherical average particle size of 2 - 5 μm , a specific gravity of 1.32 at 25°F, a bulk density of 0.15 - 0.50, and a linseed oil absorption rate of 50 - 90 ml/100g or is a silicone oil having viscosity of 300 - 400 cSt., specific gravity at 77°F of 0.90 - 0.99, and volatile content of 0.001 - 0.005%.

7. (Thrice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1, further comprising an anti-block material which is an amorphous sodium calcium aluminosilicate having a particle size of 2 - 5 μm and a bulk density of 0.30 - 0.80 g/cm³ or an amorphous aluminosilicate having a particle size of 2 - 5 μm and a bulk density of 0.10 - 0.30 g/cm³.

8. (Twice Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1, wherein at least one component of said second additive material is an amorphous sodium calcium aluminosilicate having a particle size of 2 - 5 μm and a bulk density of 0.30 - 0.80 g/cm³; or an amorphous aluminosilicate having a particle size of 2 - 5 μm and a bulk density of 0.10 - 0.30 g/cm³.

9. (Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the polyolefin resin of the first resin layer consists essentially of a polypropylene homopolymer.

10. (Amended) The two-layer laminate film according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the polyolefin resin of the mixed resin layer consists essentially of a polypropylene homopolymer.